

STATEMENT REGARDING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Attorney Docket No. BMA-008

Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: **Laugharn et al.**Application or Patent No. **09/812,723**Date Filed or Issued: **March 20, 2001**Title: **Method and Apparatus for Acoustically Controlling Liquid Solutions in Microfluidic Devices**NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: Covaris, Inc.ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS OR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION: 25 Olympia Avenue, Unit F, Woburn, MA 01801-6307

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern or nonprofit organization qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 37 CFR 1.27 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. For a small business concern, the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern or nonprofit organization identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☒ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern or nonprofit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must execute separate statements as to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(1) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(2), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.27(a)(3).

- ☒ No such person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention exists.
☐ Each such person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

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**DECLARATION AND POWER
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I, a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"Method and Apparatus For Acoustically Controlling Liquid Solutions In MicroFluidic Devices"

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto
OR☒ was filed on 03/20/2001 as United States Application Serial Number or PCT International
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Application Number 09/812,723 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office all information known by me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
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☐ Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet attached hereto.

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Serial Number(s)	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional provisional application serial numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet attached hereto.
60/243,838	11/08/2000	
60/198,923	04/21/2000	
60/191,297	03/21/2000	

DECLARATION – Utility or Design Patent Application

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c), of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Parent Application or PCT Parent Serial Number	Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Parent Patent Number (if applicable)
PCT/US99/25274	10/28/1999	
60/105,933	10/28/1998	
60/110,460	12/01/1998	
60/119,500	02/10/1999	
60/143,440	07/13/1999	
60/148,279	08/11/1999	

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: ☐ Customer Number

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